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Classified By: CDA Christopher Henzel for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

[1](#). (C) CDA made ref A demarche to Shaikh Abdulaziz bin Mubarak Al Khalifah, the substantive number two at the foreign ministry. Al Khalifah responded that Bahrain's UN delegation was probably on course to vote in the Third Committee as it had last year (i.e. opposing condemnation of Iran and Burma, supporting condemnation of North Korea.) However, he undertook to inform the foreign minister, Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmad Al Khalifah, of our request for support, and said the decision in these matters was always his.

[2](#). (C) USUN or Department may wish to consider following up with FM Shaikh Khalid. He is currently traveling with King Hamad to the New York interfaith conference. The FM will then split off for meetings at the Department. He is likely to raise the subject of human rights by complaining about what the GOB claims was an "unfair" presentation given to the Congressional Human Rights Caucus October 15 (ref B), which has touched off sectarian controversy in Bahrain (ref C).

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